fine place to equit yourself.

lied on.

watches,

pop-crackers.

you will call.

S. A. WINSTOCK, No. 17 north Fourteenth

street, has pledges of affection and other

kinds in great variety. He is a great man

presents of watches, diamonds, lockets,

neck-chains, rings, buttons, pins, ear-rings,

and a variety of things in the ornamental

line as great bargains, his word may be re-

H. A. ATKINSON, No. 20 Governor street.

Another furniturc-store offers its new-style

and finely-finished wares through us for

your consideration. Here you will find sub-

stantial furniture, and especially fine suits,

JONES BROTHERS & Co., 1011 Basin bank,

at uncommonly low prices. Try Atkinson.

invite all to come and price their fine

motto is "quick sales and small profits."

stock of groceries and confections. Their

Housekeepers will here find a great many

things just suited to their wants, and learn

that it is the place to equip themselves for a

J. F. KOHLER, 715 Broad street .- Gold

chains, sleeve-buttons, bosom-buttons, and

person and to present as tokens of affection

at this period, so propitious for such evi-

dences of the affections. Go and see Koh-

CHARLES L. TODD, corner of Sixth and

Clay streets .- This is one of the most salu-

through and can spare an hour or two. So

here's to you, Todd. We think of you con-

sins, gelatine, fresh butter and eggs, and

have the run of the house. It is such a

JOHN MORTON-Green-houses corner Main

lovely flowers-that make this world beau-

tiful and that typify all the ages and all the

virtues, and are brought in to grace all the

vicissitudes of life from the cradle to the

grave-what eulogy can we offer you that

adorn all festivity and ye illuminate all joy.

Morton is prepared to furnish flowers for

New-Year's receptions, and at any moment

WILLIAM JENKINS & Co., 1518 Main street.

Well, here we have at Mr. Jenkins's a new

Christmas article-" Evaporated apples."

is varied and abundant, and they are most

they are prepared to receive for Christmas

And now, good gentlefolks, we have com-

pleted our round of visits, and, unless our

memory has played us false, through with

our description of each. If you don't buy

what you want, and if you don't have a

happy Christmas, you cannot complain of

ficial; but before making our final adieu

A WORD TO THE RETAIL TRADE.-We

to impart some information we acquired in

our rounds which is of material interest to

DAVENPORT & MORRIS, Seventeenth and

porters of wines, liquors, etc., have a large

stock of Christmas supplies on hand, which

they are prepared to furnish to the trade on

shortest notice. The members of this esti-

mable tirm have long enjoyed that trust and

confidence amongst our merchants which is

alone the result of enterprise tempered with

sound judgment, fair dealing, and perfect

business integrity. The house of Davenport

& Morris enjoys a reputation which at once

recommends it to public favor and confi-

dence. But men are at all times forgetful, and

as they are ever ready to run after some new-

fangled humbug we doubt not that many of

to your great advantage. Davenport &

Morris have pure French brandies-"Mar-

EAGLE BREWERY, corner of Harrison and

Clay streets—an establishment which bids

the credit of our city. Mr. George W. Rob-

inson, the proprietor, is a man of compre-

bensive, sensible views, and is possessed of

such word as fail. He embarked in this en-

terprise, which required an immense outlay

of capital, at a time of general business de-

pression, and we are pleased to see that his

bold undertaking has, by dint of great per-

severance and close application to business,

met with that success which it deserves.

The verdict of the judges appointed by the

Agricultural Society at their late fair in

awarding to the Eagle Brewery over other

competitors the gold medal for superior

lager beer, ale, and porter, is a testimonial

which speaks volumes in support of the

excellence of the brewing of this establish-

ment. The brewery has a capacity of fifty

barrels a day. Its machinery is of the most

improved patents, its vault and cellar are

very extensive, and all the appliances used

in the manufacture of beer wear an air of

order and cleantiness pleasant to behold.

This beer, which is never used until it

hand. Let the retail dealers give friend

Robinson a call. Give this home manufac-

ture a fair trial, and if it be all that it seems

to be and is claimed for it, they will find

the result greatly to their advantage and to

the satisfaction of their customers.

their own importation.

choice Roman Beauty apples.

and New-Year's receptions.

you all. Know, then, that

What would the world be without ye?

comfortable feeling to feel at home at such

place as this. Go and try it.

bracelets, opera-chains, vest-

Christmas of rare enjoyment.

PAPERS OF THE CITY.

A MERRY CHRISTMAS

TO ALL, AND TO ALL A GOOD NIGHT. What We Saw in Concluding Our Christmas Rounds-Beautiful Stocks and Low Prices.

A WORD TO THE WISE.

The day draws nigh, and preparations to observe it in proper style cannot long be delayed. The clear, bracing weather is most opportune and suitable for shopping, and the streets present a lively appearance. filled as they are from morning until late at night with the busy throng making their Christmas purchases. Everthing argues well for a bright and joyous festival. What if pressure is upon us; what if greenbacks are not three feet deep; what, a hundred precious trinkets to adorn the even, if the Legislature has left usshall we cover ourselves with sackcloth and ashes for that? Oh, no. Cheerfulness is ler's stock. He can suit you. the sunshine which drives away the fog of pressure. The more self-possessed, the more hopeful and gay we are, the sooner will we (in the words of the immortal J. N.) "lift the pressure." Christmas is a good time to banish it-to drown it, like conclusion of these veracious sketches. care, in a sea of happiness. And now, He has such good things. We could stand friends, old and young, who mean to assert a great deal of repeating in his best old rye, the divine right to be loyous, be sure and and wouldn't mind a charge or two of the old ments: prepare for the festal day. Do so not extravagantly, but still not parsimoniously, and, we repeat, as the time is short, do so stantly, at least once a day. And, gentleat once. To assist you in your preparations tolks, don't forget the wines-sherry, port, we beg you to peruse carefully the follow. Madeira, and sweet Catawba; jellies, raiwe beg you to peruse carefully the following notices of establishments we visited and can vouch for:

Pizzini's, S07 Broad street .- Here, children, you may feast your eyes and your stomachs, too. So also you can arm and equip yourselves for the grand fusilade and "gallbusting" clang, and clatter-bang, and thunder of Christmas. Pizzini tells you that notwithstanding the cries of inflation, greenbacks, hard money, and the like, Santa Claus bas duly made his appearance at his store. Of course he has. And we'd like to could be extravagant! But what is the use know what financial hubbub, would drown of praising what is above praise? Dear your grand clash of arms or arrest your fes- flowers! ye rob misery of her dolour, ye tivities! No, children, we ain't to be inter- diminish the pain of the sick-bed, and ye rupted by such contemptible things that unduly disturb less composed and self-possessed people than you and we are! So let us to Pizzini's and Z what he's got. There are fruits, and candies, and dolls, and toys, and marbies (glass and real agates), and fireworks, including cannon-crackers-a fact which you will assuredly announce to the public. These are great times for girls and Now, evaporated is just here a good word,

To housekeepers Pizzini offers a great va- just about (excuse the vernacular again) riety of things suited to the season. See his | played out." At any rate, the evaporated advertisement. His stock is superb and profuse.

BALTIMORE DRY-GOODS AUCTION-HOUSE, 323 Broad street .- Here we have come to another tempting place for ladies-an auction-house which issues its proclamation that their line, and know what will suit both the volved. wages war against high prices. Such an announcement is far more pleasing and acceptable to the people than all the official documents of high-sounding words which have been issued during the year, from the President's message down to that of the Governor convening the already-assembled Legislature. It boldly asserts the determination of underselling any house in the city, in proof whereof it sets forth its prices, which challenge competition. This house has a full stock of all kinds of dry goods. Its shelves are laden with calicoes, dress goods, alpaca and cashmere goods, tablelinens, blankets, white flannels, etc. This house has flung its banner forth to the breeze "without fear and without reproach," and its white field and blue letters summon you to its headquarters when war and piece go hand and hand to a measure quite surprising. They desire you to "call and be convinced."

C. F. JOHNSTON, 918 Main street, bas news and music together, and a variety of Christmas goods. What a blessed thing Dock streets, wholesale grocers and imit is that by man's ingenuity every man may be his own musician. Buy a music-box of Johnston, and you may set it agoing while you lie in bed, and without any art or effort on your part you may enjoy what it costs the real musician days, months, and years of study, and much physical effort, to produce on any instrument. A great boon! With this expedient, and a variation with a man's own wind, when he can can raise it, a very musical entertainment may be had. Then, for ambitious lovers of music Mr. Johnston offers musical instruments, pianos, organs, violins, guitars, books, gold pens, velvet frames, and Christmas and New-Year's cards. It may seem paradoxical, but we will wager that Captain Fred. is not a-fred-to challenge any man to competition in his line of business. ARTHUR ROONEY'S large furniture establishment extends from Twelfth to Thirteenth streets, on Franklin, and is filled with furniture of all kinds and the latest styles. A Christmas present of nice, comfortable furniture is the most sensible present one can make, and Rooney keeps a large stock on hand from which a selection may be easily made. Ab, Rooney is "a broth of a boy," and is so accommodating that he will serve you in any way it pleases, either the wholesale or retail. He cares not so long as he can serve a customer and turn an honest penny, but there is one point on which he is very firm, and that is of adhering to his announcement of selling the latest styles and at the lowest prices. Give him a trial, at his steam furniture manufac-

S. H. Hawes, corner of Eighteenth and Cary streets, has determined to make the season bright and joyous with cheerful Christmas fires from his celebrated Coalburg splint lump coal. We are great advocates for this coal; it diffuses a pleasing, grateful warmth, so very different from the dry, parching heat of the anthraeite. It more nearly approaches the delightful old-fashioned wood-fire than any fuel we have. Go to Hawes's, then, and procure a supand sold by Mr. F. J. Reilley, who has a ply that will make the fireside bright and

pleasant. R. FERRANDINI, 613 Broad street .- Here we have the artist par excellence in humanhair work, ladies' hair-dresser, and dealer in fancy goods, fine plated jewelry, etc. A useful man, who does many things that could not be done without him. The dear memory dear-are artfully fashioned and And now once more, gentlefolks and kind locks. Ferrandini is a public benefactor, comparable Dispatch as it does relief to us without license. things. He is a master of his art, and no lady is finished for the ball-room or an evening reception without the magic touch of merry Christmas, a happy New-Year, and returned against Adolphus Giltman. Ferrandini. His wigs, toupets, and illusive contrivances laugh nature to scorn, and many joyful returns of the same to one and T. Parham (2), and Fielding L. Olivier (2), establish fashion in the very stronghold all. from which nature was driven. Go to Ferrandini's and have your head properly bai-

DAILY DISPATCH.

RICHMOND, VA., SATURDAY MORNING, DECEMBER 21, 1878.

WEATHER REPORT. s great on cakes-fancy, feed, and orna-INDICATIONS FOR TO-DAY .- For the South mental. Then he has jelly and ice-cream, and a variety of things that go to to make Atlantic, Middle Atlantic, and East Gulf States, Tennessee, and the Ohio Valley. falling barometer, northeast to southeast winds, warmer, cloudy weather, with rain or snow.

THE WEATHER YESTERDAY Was partly cloudy, raw, and disagreeable. At night it was cloudy, with a light rain falling. THERMOMETER YESTERDAY: 6 A. M., 27 A. M., 33; noon, 36; 3 P. M., 43; 6 P. for pledges, and, what is more, never breaks M., 41; midnight, 37. them; therefore, when he offers Christmas Mean temperature, 36 1-6.

LOCAL MATTERS.

The Canal and the Convicts. COMMUNICATION FROM MAJOR JOHNSTON, PRE-SIDENT OF THE CANAL COMPANY, CONCERN-

ING THE TREATMENT OF THE CONVICTS ON THE CANAL-PRESENT CONDITION OF THE PRISONERS. Major John W. Johnston, president of the ames River and Kanawha Company, yes-

terday sent to General Lee, chairman of the Committee on Roads, the following communication concerning the treatment of convicts on the canal:

OFFICE OF THE JAMES RIVER AND) KANAWHA COMPANY, RICHMOND, VA., December 20, 1878. To General W. H. F. Lee, Chairman of the Committees on Roads and Internal Navigation of the Senate and House of Delegates of Virginia, sitting together:

Sir,-In view of the important matters concerning the James River and Kanawha work and discipline. Company now being considered by the committees over which you preside, and of certary groceries in the city. The stock is se- tain imperfect, injurious, and unjust statelect, and the purchaser is sure to be satis- ments and publications recently made and the public property. fied with what he buys there. We now being circulated as to the effect of reare glad to fall in with Todd, so near the cent freshets or rises in James river, and as these men is urged by the Judges of the to the condition of the convicts heretofore | Circuit and Hustings Courts of this city and now employed on canal repairs, I deem and other gentlemen of high standing, and it my duty to make the following state-

The freshet of September 12, 1878, found recognition of faithful service, but that it the canal in navigable order from Richmond to Lynchburg, and virtually from Lynchburg to Lexington. The extent, effect, and results of this freshet are fully stated in the of the State require the Superintendent of forty-fourth annual report of the Board of Directors to the stockholders of this com- to be considered by him in the exercise of

We shall not. We hope to pany. Since September 12th there have been a number of minor rises or freshets in James river, causing each more or less trouble and delay, but at this writing boats are running and Reservoir streets.-Flowers! dear, through not only from Lynchburg to Richmond, but from Lynchburg to Lexington as well. And arrangements have been about perfected for bringing freights, by certain transfers, from Buchanan to Balcony Falls and Lynchburg.

It will require additional work to complete and strengthen the repairs from Lynchburg to Balcony Falls and Lexington. Upon this character of work the bulk of the convict and other forces is now engaged. It is intended at such early day as circumstances will permit to concentrate the forces on the Buchanan end from Bal-cony Falls up to Buchanan, with the view L. Christian, J. B. Jeter, A. E. Dickinson,

of completing canal repairs throughout. of the Surgeon and Board of Directors of and H. K. Ellyson. the Virginia Penitentiary as to the treatapples are said to be the best thing out in Laddressed a communication to the chair- life in the penitentiary. The Governor the way of dried fruit. They have also men of the appropriate committees of the says: Senate and House of Delegates in the in-

I have to regret that such imperfect, ingrave and the gay. Their stock of flowers up to this time occurred in the progress of prompt and obliging in filting orders, which this investigation, and especially in regard to my own statements before these committees, have attained publicity. The pending investigation relates especially to certain unfortunate and deplorable circumstances and occurrences at and near Tye river, in Nelson county, in February and the early days of March, 1878. The pub-We have posted you thoroughly, and lished accounts as to these circumstances given the best advice we had as to the man- and occurrences fairly admit, in my opinner of making the festival happy and bene- ion, of explanation and qualification. At any rate, as to these circumstances and occurrences and any injurious deductions therefrom, a suspension of public judgment, especially so far as this company and have been so busy and preoccupied with its officials are concerned, is asked for until, our task of describing you and your in the course of the investigation, the facts stores, gentlemen, that we entirely forgot shall be brought out and made known.

Frequent, continued, and very recent inquiries made by me, and reports from canal officials and contractors and others, satisfy me that during the spring, summer, and fall the convict forces have been as well fed, clothed, guarded, and cared for as circumstances would permit, with the exception of some insufficient hospital accommodations for a small number of sick men, which Dr. Walker informs me he corrected during his last visit of inspection in the month of August.

It is represented to me that they are now (except as to ordinary diarrhoa and colds in some cases) in good health, humanely treated, well fed and clothed, and as comfortably boused as the shifting nature of the work in which they are engaged will permit, and that as a general thing they are accordeons, drums, etc. So the ladies have work-boxes, musical albums, writing-desks, children's books, stereoscopic views, scrap-children's books, stereo mas run out (and we trust they may) you and safety during the further progress of will know where to replenish, and doubtless canal repairs.

I am informed by Dr. Walker, Surgeon of the Penitentiary, that the inquiries and reports of the penitentiary authorities contel" brand of both dark and paie colors-of firm these statements as to the care and present condition of the men; and I do not un- Evans brought down the house by their derstand that the published reports of the fair to become celebrated and redound to main reason for the considerable mortality among the men than the unfortunate and for his mingled wit and pathos. Mr. W. K. deplorable sickness (from whatever causes | Pendleton fully responded for Old Dominion that indomitable energy which knows no winter and unavoidable accidents.

I am assured that these men are as well Tye river last winter.

This communication is not intended to or to any degree the measure pending before you looking to a sale of the works, franchises, &c., of this company to the Richmond and Alleghany Railroad Company, but is deemed proper in view of that and all measures pertaining to and concerning this company which their importance is at least three months old, is bottled demands, and which justice to this comvery large and fine Christmas supply on pany and the many interests connected

Very respectfully, JOHN W. JOHNSTON, President.

UNITED STATES COURTS-Judge Hughes presiding .- In the United States District Court yesterday the grand jury returned the following indictments: Against Daniel readers, adieu till this time next year. If it H. Green, Thomas O. Samsell (2), S. D. an artist who, when doctors and quacks affords you as much satisfaction to have had Boid, of Fauquier, violation of internalhave expended their efforts in denuding the head, and hand too, with simple but effective treatment brings back the fact falling things temptingly set before you in the in-

In the Circuit Court indictments were

judges of the Fifth Ward of Petersburg. Young Men's Christian Association will be for putting a deputy United States marshal held at the Grace-Street Baptist church to-SEWING-MACHINE MOTOR .- A Brooklyn out of the voting-place. In the cases of morrow at 7:30 P. M. man has invected a method of running John W. Newsom, James A. Blick, and Al- Rev. Dr. Curry and Rev. Dr. Hatcher will D. Columbus, 321 Broad street.—Here are sewing-machines by electricity at a cost of fred Archer, judges of the Sixth Ward, the speak on the occasion. Our young men are cakes, candies, toys, dolls, etc. Columbus a few cents per day.

Executive Clemency. MARTIN ALLEY AND EDWARD MOORE PARDONED,

MUTED FROM DEATH TO IMPRISONMENT FOR Shortly after the recent fire at the Virginia State penitentiary a number of citizens, impressed by the distinguished and courageous efficiency of Edward Moore and Martin Alley in saving the public property, and receiving a glowing account from Col onel Swann and the Board of the good con-

duct of these men, determined to try to get them pardoned. They secured, besides their own signatures, those of the Judges of the Circuit and Chancery and Hustings Courts, as also the recommendation to Executive clemency of the Superintendent of the Penitentiary and his directory. The petition went in due time to the Governor, who, after a coreful examination of the record, determined to grant the petition, and assigned the following reasons:

Martin Alley was sentenced in the Hustings Court of the city of Richmond at its December term, 1871, for murder in the second degree, to confinement in the penitentiary for eighteen years. Edward Moore was sentenced in the Hustings Court of the city of Portsmouth at the February term, 1868, for murder in the second degree, to confinement in the penitentiary for eigh-

teen years. These two men (Martin Alley and Edward Moore) have, since their imprisonment, borne themselves in a manner to excite the highest commendation of the Superintendent and directors, discharging their duties faithfully and making themselves useful in various ways in prison-

At the late disastrous fire at the penitentlary they greatly exerted themselves and rendered most valuable assistance in saving The recommendation for the pardon of

by the unanimous endorsement of the Board of Directors, "as not only a just would also exert a salutary influence in maintaining the discipline of the prison.' These are considerations which the laws the Penitentiary to report to the Governor, Executive clemency. These men are there-

fore pardoned. F. W. M. HOLLIDAY. [Signed] The pardons were issued yesterday morning, and were delivered to General Peyton Wise and Major Robert Stiles, who immediately proceeded to the penitentiary and delivered them. Both prisoners were deeply affected, and were utterly unable at first o realize their good fortune.

It is right to add that the officers of the penitentiary were gratified at this exercise of the Executive elemency, and declared, while expressing this feeling, that they would find it difficuit to do without the services and the example of these men.

The petitioners above referred to were Messrs. Thomas Branch, John B. Davis, B. r completing canal repairs throughout. Robert Ould, B. Alsop, Robert Stiles, Immediately after the published reports George D. Wise, Peyton Wise, B. C. Gray,

The sentence of John Byrd (colored), who

John Byrd (colored) was convicted in upon various grounds, which I did not deem sufficient. On the 4th of December, 1878, I was notified that he was subject to fits of insanity by gentlemen of high standing and respectability from Mathews couny, where he had previously lived. There was no evidence touching his sanity offered before the jury. I forwarded this after-evi-dence to the judge before whom Byrd was tried, requesting his views. He promptly replied, giving these views, and adding that these certificates, read in connection with his remarkably strange and unnatural conduct during the trial, would induce me, had I the power, to commute his sentence." The sentence of John Byrd is therefore

commuted to imprisonment for life in the penitentiary, and the sheriff of Elizabeth City county will deliver him to the Superintendent of said Penitentiary, who will receive him and treat him accordingly. FRED. W. M. HOLLIDAY.

December 20, 1878.

THE ODD-FELLOWS' BANQUET-ADDEN-A .- In the notice of the grand Odd-Fellows' banquet in yesterday's Dispatch, written hastily at midnight, it was not surprising if a few immaterial imperfections crept in. The toast to the Cockade City was responded to by Past Grand Master J. B. Blanks, grand representative, in an able and eloquent address, in which he sketched the rise and progress of the order in Petersburg, and made many interesting state-

After the report closed Rev. George C. Vanderslice responded on behalf of Manchester, and speeches were also made by Mr. B. Blick, of Norfolk (a member of the trand Encampment), and Colonel Thomas J. Evans. The speech of Mr. Vanderslice was a most excellent effort, was loudly applauded, and was said by many to be the speech of the evening. Messrs. Blick and toast of "Woman," was liberally applauded proceeding) at and near Tye river last Lodge, of Portsmouth-the largest in the

The lodge-room was beautifully decoprovided and cared for and as humanely rated, and over the Noble Grand's chair the treated as any convict forces employed on word "Welcome" was suspended. The public works of this nature are or can be. walls of the banquet-hall were decorated The officials of this company have been and | with pictures of distinguished Odd-Fellows. are solicitous as to their health, comfort, and The State and national flags were suspendsafety; and, as will be developed in the ed, and the word "Welcome" everywhere course of the pending investigation, have conspiculously displayed. The Petersburg not been unmindful of the unfortunate and lodges were accompanied by Pride's exceldeplorable condition of things at and near lent band, which contributed no little to the enjoyment of the occasion. The special train was in charge of William E. Mininjure, prejudice, or delay in any manner | gea, Esq., assistant agent at Petersburg, of whose courtesy all the visitors speak in high terms. The affair was in every way a Fine Plain Mixture, 20c. per pound; 12 pound pleasant one, and will furnish food for pleasant reflection for years, and it may be forever. Although divided by two rivers, fair and unprejudiced consideration of any the blue waters of a hundred shining Odd-Fellows of the little Cockade and her Richmond brethren.

ROLL OF HONOR AT THE RICHMOND HIGH-SCHOOL.-The following is a list of the pupils on the roll of honor at the Richmond High-School for the past week: Senior Class-Augusta Anderson, Fannie Blake, Belle Brown, Bertha Dickinson, Maggie Mitchell, Fannie Moon, Annie E. Simms Emma P. Turner, Jeannie Whittet, Fannie Wyatt, William T. Dennis. Intermediate Class-George McCann, Mary Fox. Julies Marks, Bettie Mounteastle, Hettie Taylor. Blanche Wynne. Junior Class-Lummie Cunningham, Lizzie Jones, Agnes Lyon, Cora Perrini, Eugene Dearborn, Joe Dickand has endeared bimself to us by years of to cease writing, we shall have added feliciworking and handling the most precious of ty for Christmas. We trust we shall not be continued until to-day at 10 o'clock A. M. William Wills. The name of Albert Meyer week, 97 per cent.

> Young-Men's-Curistian-Association MEETING .- A meeting in the interests of the

BRIEF LOCAL ITEMS.-Yesterday was another very dull day on 'Change. Only two AND THE SENTENCE OF JOHN, BYRD COMpackages of tobacco sold at \$1.60 and \$4.60. At the Stock Board yesterday 100 was bid

for gold. Gold has not been at par in Richmond before since 1861. The sales of loose tobacco have been quite large this week, and reasonable prices have

been realized, but there has not been as much activity observed around Shockoe Slip as there was last week. The amount of United States internal

evenue collected yesterday was \$4,177.31. No entrances or clearances reported at the sustom-house since Wednesday.

The excursion trains on the Petersburg railroad have been discontinued. The accommodation train leaves Sunday at 8 clock A. M. The canal receipts yesterday were princi-

pally grain, tobacco, forest products, and country produce. The hen-house of Mrs. Chapin, No. 606

Ninth street, was entered Thursday night and robbed of forty fat fowls. A petition is in circulation, and has been numerously signed, asking the Governor to pardon Lucien Beard.

Governor Holliday has accepted the resignation of Henry T. Miller as captain of Company F. First Virginia regiment. Mr. Abram Harris is erecting a row of handsome tenement-houses on the corner of First and Main streets.

John Wiley, a tramp, recently ordered from Richmond, has been arrested in Petersburg on the charge of stealing a coat Wiley plead hunger as the cause of the Three cargoes of coal and one each of

guano and hay received coastwise yesterday. Two cargoes of granite were shipped. Captain Bigger distributed a large quantity of fuel to the worthy indigent of the city, at the almshouse, yesterday. MOFFETT-REGISTER TAX .- The following

is an unofficial but (from the information in the Auditor's office) accurate statement of the operations of the Moffett-register sys tem for the fiscal year: Tax from registers—counties......\$140,269 13 Tax from registers—cities............142,293 90 Total....

472,834 14 Aggregate..... Estimated rebate for licenses-

ters-cities ... ommissions on sale of registers-countles..... 1.034 149,165 00

Net result..... Net amount realized by old license sys-..\$323,669 14 It was late-or rather not early-in the

year when the registers were introduced into some counties. In several localities the Christmas Flowers. law has been very feebly executed. ANNUAL REPORT OF THE AUDITON .- The

House of Delegates on Thursday passed a resolution instructing the Committee on Printing to inquire why the Auditor's report has not yet been printed. The Superintendent of Public Printing

states that he has not yet received all the copy, but if given him as promptly as promised that the entire report will probably now, evaporated is just here a good word, and we shall book it, seeing that we are ment of convicts in the service of this company were brought to my attention, and be- City county for a murder committed there, bly by the 3d of January-the date of reasore any action was taken, or proposed to be and who was afterwards respited till Janu- sembling. The Auditor and his force have taken, thereupon in the General Assembly, any 3d, was commuted to imprisonment for | made all haste consistent with accuracy, but have been compelled to wait for some returns from counties, and have been otherwise unavoidably delayed. Still their work Toler & Hoofer, Fiorists, adjoining Holywood.—These gentlemen are artists in terests of an investigation of the matters inof murder in the first degree, and sentenced session the Auditor's report complete was to be hung-sentence to be executed on the not delivered to the General Assembly until jurious, and unjust accounts of what has 6th of December, 1878. Application was near the middle of March-a short time bemade for a commutation of his sentence fore it adjourned. It is true that one small instalment of the report was issued soon after the meeting of the General Assembly That could have been easily done this year, but the Auditor preferred to have the report appear as a whole.

AGRICULUTURAL SOCIETY COMMITTEES .-President Drewry has appointed the follow-

ing committees: Under resolution of the general meeting of the Society, held in Society rooms on 30th October, 1878: E. O. Nölting, A. D. Williams, Colonel J. B. Purcell, P. H. Starke, John A. Belvin, Colonel C. L. Hobson, Major J. Thompson Brown-this committee to cooperate with the Executive Committee of the Society in regard to the introduction of water into the Fair-Grounds from the city reservoir.

L. E. Harvie, General W. T. Taliaferro, General W. H. F. Lee, Major R. W. N. Noland, Captain Richard Irby-this committee to represent the Society in respect to any legislation of the present session of the General Assembly affecting the agricultural and manufacturing interests of the State.

DROWNED IN THE CANAL. - Yesterday afternoon about half-past 5 o'clock two youths named Stoddard, aged respectively ten and tive years, while playing upon the Armory or Fifth-Street bridge, fell into the canal. A youth standing on the bank went into the water and endeavored to save the boys, and succeeded in rescuing the youngest; but the eldest, Harvey Stoddard, was drowned. The Coroner viewed the body, but as the drowning was purely accidental deemed an inquest unnecessary.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS .- The following officers were elected last night by Hines Lodge, No. 17, K. of P.: W. P. Gretter, P. C.; W. D. Courtney, V. C.; W. H. Carlozo, M. of Ex.; R. S. Denny, K. of R. S. S. P. Patterson, I. G.; M. A. McDonald, C. C.; W. T. Smoot, P.; T. L. Courtney, humorous sallies and apt allusions. Mr. M. of F.; J. J. Muse, M. at A.; R. E. Cox penitentiary authorities assign any other Charles M. Walsh, who responded to the O. G.; P. C. T. L. Courtney, representative to the Grand Lodge. [FOR OTHER "LOCAL" SEE FOURTH PAGE.]

GRAND RAFFLE .- On Christmas-Eve an elegan

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